



Commission on Improving the Status of Children in Indiana

Recommendation to the Commission

Party Submitting Recommendation: Tamara Weaver and Tyler Brown, co-chairs, Data Sharing and Mapping Committee

Date of Submission: 6/12/2018

Type of Action Requested:

Legislation Policy Resolution of Support or Endorsement Public Promotion

Other: Members sign MOU

Which of the Commission's Strategic Priorities does this Recommendation help advance:

Child Safety and services Juvenile Justice and Cross-system Youth
 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Educational Outcomes

Summary of Recommendation:

The Data Sharing and Mapping Committee has been instrumental in recent years in putting together the Information Sharing Guide (ISG) and the accompanying app for the benefit of those who work in child-serving entities around the state. The guide enables those individuals to determine which documents and other records they have access to within their own entity, as well as how to request or deliver that information to others in an appropriate and legal manner. The Data Sharing and Mapping Committee is recommending an MOU to be signed by all members to commit to providing a yearly update to the ISG.

Background of Recommendation:

What is the need or problem?

To keep the ISG current and relevant, the Data Sharing and Mapping Committee has been attempting to update the ISG to make sure it has the correct information (based on changes in statutes, rules, regulations, etc.). It has been an involved task to attempt to track down responses from each agency involved.

What is the current response to the problem by the State of Indiana?

The Data Sharing and Mapping Committee is currently attempting to coordinate updates to the ISG, which necessarily involves responses and input from the state agencies who have provided information regarding statutes, rules, regulations, etc.

What is the recommender proposing, and how will it help solve the problem?

The Data Sharing and Mapping Committee is recommending to the Commission that the members of the Commission sign an MOU to commit to devoting the appropriate resources and attention to the matter, and to ultimately provide an update to our committee annually if there are any changes that need to be made. The member agencies were instrumental in getting the first version of the ISG up and running and they are the holders of a wealth of knowledge regarding their own data and how much child-serving entities and staff need to be able to share relevant information to best serve the children in their care.

What data, research or other information did the recommender consult to formulate this proposal?

The Data Sharing and Mapping Committee considered the best ways to update the ISG and came to the conclusion that in order to keep the ISG updated and relevant, we needed specific involvement from each agency to complete the task of updating the ISG.

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